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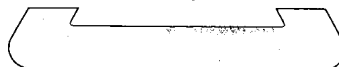
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PROBABLE LAUNCH SITE DEACTIVATION
MOLOSKOVITSY MRBM LAUNCH SITE 3, USSR

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1. (S/D) SIGNIFICANCE: PROBABLE LAUNCH SITE DEACTIVATION IS IN PROGRESS AT THE MOLOSKOVITSY SSM COMPLEX, ONE OF NINE COMPLEXES WHERE SIMILAR ACTIVITY HAS BEEN OBSERVED SINCE JANUARY 1981.

2. (S/D) REMARKS: THE SHEATHING MATERIAL ON THE A-FRAME BUILDINGS OVER THE FOUR SS-4 MRBM LAUNCH SILOS AT MOLOSKOVITSY MRBM LAUNCH SITE 3 HAS BEEN REMOVED, AND ONLY THE FRAMEWORKS REMAIN. THIS ACTIVITY IS PROBABLY PRELIMINARY TO DEACTIVATION OF THE LAUNCH SITE; HOWEVER, CONFIRMATION OF DEACTIVATION IS CONTINGENT UPON OBVIOUS SIGNS OF ABANDONMENT OR DISREPAIR, SUCH AS THE REMOVAL OF PAVING BLOCKS FROM THE LAUNCH APRON, REMOVAL OF SECURITY FENCING, OR THE RAZING OF SECURITY AND SUPPORT BUILDINGS. NO SS-4 SUPPORT EQUIPMENT IS IN THE OPERATIONS OR THE SUPPORT AREAS (NOT ON GRAPHIC). [REDACTED] SEVEN SS-4 TRANSPORTERS WERE IN THE OPERATIONS AREA. AND NINE VEHICLES [REDACTED] EARLY

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STAGES OF DEACTIVATION PROBABLY HAD BEGUN [REDACTED] WHEN TWO OF THE SILO DOORS WERE OPEN AND ONE OF THE SILOS APPEARED TO BE EMPTY. THIS IS THE SECOND SITE IN THE MOLOSKOVITSY MRBM COMPLEX TO BE DEACTIVATED. SITE 2 [REDACTED] HAS BEEN DEACTIVATED SINCE 1978. SITE 1 [REDACTED] IS ACTIVE AND OCCUPIED [REDACTED] SINCE JANUARY 1981, MR/IRBM LAUNCH SITE DEACTIVATION ALSO HAS BEEN OBSERVED AT TORVA, LUTSK, KIVERTSY, KROLEVETS, DOLINA, VSELYUB, AND MAYKOP. PROBABLE DEACTIVATION WAS OBSERVED AT THE GELLI SSM COMPLEX [REDACTED]

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THE MOLOSKOVITSY SSM COMPLEX IS APPROXIMATELY 50 NM SOUTHWEST OF LENINGRAD.

3. [REDACTED] COORDINATES 59-25-43N 028-54-04E

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